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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation would allow ISP to perform testing for coroners that do not have the resources or do not want to pay for the testing at a private lab, permit ISPFS to share the results of the toxicology testing with the Department of Health and Welfare for statistical and monitoring purposes, and specify in state law that ISP Forensics can perform toxicology testing for these purposes.

FISCAL NOTE

Currently, the analysis is being funded by a federal OD2A grant from the CDC. There are two grant funded temp employees to do the validation study and support the casework. Ultimately, depending on the volume of testing, ISPFS may need one full-time toxicologist and \$20,000 to \$30,000 in operating expenses for the reagents to run this testing. The federal grant funding supports the lab with this initiative for two more years.

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